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- 1. ARCHBISHOP MUTALE DOES NOT PLAN TO COMMENCE CONSTRUCTION OF HIS CLINIC IN NORTHERN PROVINCE UNTIL 1976. HIS FIRST PRIORITIES WILL BE TO BUILD CHURCH AND HOUSING FOR NUNS AND PRIESTS. EMBASSY CONTRIBUTION TO CLINIC CONSTRUCTION WILL THUS NECESSARILY BE DEFERRED TO FY 1976 OR 77.
- 2. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE SOME SNAGS LOCALLY, EXPECT REF B "NKUMBI PRIMARY SCHOOL" PROJECT WITH EMBASSY CONSTRUCTION OF DOLS 420.00 AND "BLUE LAGOON BORE-HORE" PROJECT WITH REVISED EMBASSY CONSTRUCTION OF DOLS 9,400 WILL BE SIGNED PRIOR END FY 1975.
- 3. THE POSSIBILITY THAT PARAGRAPH 3 REF B PROJECTS AMOUNTING TO ABOUT DOLS 1,000 BEING SIGNED PRIOR END FY IS GROWING DIM. PROBLEM IS THAT EMBASSY HAS THICK FILE FROM ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND EQUALLY THICK FILE OF CORRESPONDENCE INDICATING INTEREST IN RESPECTIVE PROJECTS, BUT THAT EMBASSY NEEDS FROM THEM FEW MORE DETAILS SUCH AS DESCRIPTION OF LOCAL CONTRIBUTION. WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS THEY HAVE NOT RESPONDED DESPITE FOLLOW-UP LETTERS. BASED ON PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE DO NOT FORESEE SUDDEN FLURRY OF CORRESPONDENCE COMING IN WITH SUPPORTING DETAILS.
- 4. THEREFORE, THERE REMAINS DOLS 3,730 IN FUNDS EMBASSY UNCLASSIFIED

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WILL NOT BE ABLE TO OBLIGATE AND MAY BE RE-ALLOCATED TO

OTHER POSTS. PENDING PROJECTS, EXCEPT FOR THOSE MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 2, ABOVE, WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL FY 1976. BECAUSE OF SEVERAL PENDING WORTHWHILE PROJECTS, DO NOT FORESEE ANY DIFFICULTIES OBLIGATING IN ITS ENTIRETY WHATEVER SELFHELP FUNDS LUSAKA ARE ALLOTED IN FY 1976. MAY

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